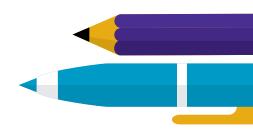
# **STEAP Initiative**Outreach Calendar 2022



# Generate awareness and foster action to end elder abuse!

There are many opportunities throughout the year to bring your community together and build awareness on elder abuse. Below is an outreach calendar with commemorations related to elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation prevention and programming.

TIP: Sync this STEAP Initiative Outreach Calendar to your calendar! Click here.

## **January**

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCE

**National Stalking Awareness Month** 

**RECOGNITION DAY** 

January 9

Law Enforcement Appreciation Day (LEAD)

# **February**

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCE

**Black History Month** 

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

February 18

**National Caregivers Day** 

February 20

**World Day of Social Justice** 

#### March

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCES

**National Nutrition Month** 

Social Work Month

Women's History Month

WEEK-LONG OBSERVANCES

March 6-12

**National Consumer Protection Week** 

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

March 8

International Women's Day

March 10

Slam the Scam Day

#### **April**

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCES

**National Financial Capability Month** 

**National Volunteer Month** 

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

**Social Security Month** 

WEEK-LONG OBSERVANCES

April 4-10

**National Public Health Week** 

April 17-23

**National Volunteer Week** 

April 24-30

**National Crime Victims' Rights Week** 

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

April 5

Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)

Day of Action

April 7

**World Health Day** 

## May

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCES

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

**Better Hearing and Speech Month** 

Jewish American Heritage Month

Mental Health Month

**Older Americans Month** 

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

May 8

Mother's Day

May 15

International Day of Families

**National Senior Fraud Awareness Day** 

May 20

Older Adult Mental Health Awareness Day

May 21

World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

May 25

**National Senior Health and Fitness Day** 

#### June

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCES

Alzheimer's & Brain Health Awareness Month

**LGBTO+ Pride Month** 

**National Safety Month** 

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

June 15

**World Elder Abuse Awareness Day** 

June 19

Father's Day

June 22

**Olmstead Anniversary (1999)** 

## July

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

July 14

**Older Americans Act Anniversary (1965)** 

July 30

Medicare & Medicaid Anniversary (1965)

#### **August**

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

August 9

International Day of the World's

Indigenous People

August 14

Social Security Anniversary (1935)

August 21

**Senior Citizens Day** 

# **September**

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCES

**Healthy Aging Month** 

National Hispanic Heritage Month

(9/15-10/15)

**National Preparedness Month** 

**National Senior Center Month** 

**National Suicide Prevention Month** 

World Alzheimer's Month

WEEK-LONG OBSERVANCES

September 15-21

**National Medicare Education Week** 

September 18-24

**National Employ Older Workers Week** 

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

September 10

**World Suicide Prevention Day** 

September 11

**Grandparents Day** 

September 21

World Alzheimer's Day

September 22

**National Falls Prevention Awareness Day** 

September 28

**National Good Neighbor Day** 

#### **October**

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCES

**Crime Prevention Month** 

**Cyber Security Awareness Month** 

**Domestic Violence Awareness Month** 

**Health Literacy Month** 

**LGBT History Month** 

National Hispanic Heritage Month (9/15-10/15)

Residents' Rights Month

**National Disability Employment** 

**Awareness Month** 

**National Retirement Security Month** 

WEEK-LONG OBSERVANCES

October 3-9

**Active Aging Week** 

October 3-7

**Malnutrition Awareness Week** 

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

October 1

**International Day of Older Persons** 

October 2

International Day of Non-Violence

October 10

World Mental Health Day Indigenous Peoples' Day

October 11

**National Coming Out Day** 

October 15

Medicare Open Enrollment Begins (10/15-12/7)

October 21

**National Check Your Meds Day** 

#### **November**

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCES

National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month

**National Family Caregivers Month** 

National Hospice/Palliative Care Month

Native American Heritage Month

**RECOGNITION DAYS** 

November 11

**Veterans Day** 

November 25

**National Day of Listening** 

#### **December**

MONTH-LONG OBSERVANCE

Home for the Holidays: Offer tips and encourage families to use holiday gatherings as an opportunity to communicate with older loved ones about important issues concerning their health and welfare. Click here for fact sheets from the NCEA.

**RECOGNITION DAY** 

December 10

**Human Rights Day** 



# **Get started!**

Awareness events and activities can help build relationships, strengthen partnerships, and bring recognition to various local and regional efforts to address elder abuse.

#### Here are some ideas:

Organize a "Letter to the Editor" campaign to raise awareness not only of elder abuse, but also of the local resources that are available through your agency/organization or community partners.
Make an effort to reach isolated older adults through direct mailing, ads in local newspapers, and radio interviews. Include elder abuse prevention information in community and neighborhood association newsletters or e-Newsletters.
Download STEAP Toolkit materials and distribute at community events or offices of local partner agencies.
Host a "Lunch and Learn." Presentation materials are available for you to <b>download</b> and customize to meet your needs.
Partner with local organizations, schools, and agencies and organize food, personal care, or cleaning supply collection drives. Assemble packages and include copies of this <b>brochure</b> .
Host a shred-a-thon. Organize a shredding event for your community to safely destroy and dispose of sensitive documents.
Offer or share information about volunteer service opportunities.

# Additionally:



**Reach out to community partners** to see if there are opportunities to work together to raise awareness about elder abuse.



**Publicize your planned activities.** Others may be able to help you with the event/activity and avoid duplicating your efforts!

Everyone can get involved to raise awareness about elder abuse prevention.







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